



TOWNSHIP OF SABLES-SPANISH RIVERS 2026 SPRING NEWSLETTER

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COUNCIL	SABLES-SPANISH RIVERS FIRE DEPARTMENT	TAX AND WATER BILLING	ANIMAL CONTROL & BYLAW ENFORCEMENT
<p>Regular Council Meetings are on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. Meetings commence at 6:30 p.m. Special meetings are called as needed and notice will be posted.</p> <p>Our Procedural By-law requires that anyone wishing to be a delegation at a meeting must advise the Clerk no later than 12:00 p.m. on the Friday prior to the meeting. Delegations must submit their request in writing and provide the Clerk with any background information that may be beneficial during the delegates' presentation.</p> <p>Requests can be faxed to 705-865-2736 or emailed to the Clerk-Administrator- inquiries@sables-spanish.ca</p> <div data-bbox="532 846 650 959" style="text-align: center;"> </div> <p>Your elected officials are always willing to listen to you...talk to them!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor Kevin Burke- 705-869-8997 • Deputy Mayor Mike Mercieca- 705-862-0610 • Councillor Casimir Burns- 705-865-2377 • Councillor Harold Crabs- 705-863-9434 • Councillor Thoma Crabs- 705-862-1581 • Councillor Merri-Ann Hobbs- 705-923-4045 • Councillor Cheryl Phillips- 705-844-2364 	<p>The Department is looking for new recruits! If you have a passion for fire safety, teamwork, commitment and supporting your community we have the spot for you! To apply please email us at fire@sables-spanish.ca</p> <p>Check out the SSRFD Facebook & Instagram pages for fire safety tips and upcoming events!</p> <div data-bbox="1177 558 1373 748" style="text-align: center;"> </div> <p>NO DAYTIME BURNING from April 1st to October 31st. Please check the Open Air Burning Bylaw #2026-05</p> <p>For more information you can contact the Fire Chief at fire@sables-spanish.ca</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EMERGENCY SERVICES For all emergencies- call 9-1-1</p> <p>Callers on a Four-party line dialing 911 will be routed to a Bell Operator and must identify the emergency location.</p> <p>If there is a disruption in telephone services when calls cannot be completed to other exchanges:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Residents in 844 exchange should call 705-844-2100 2. Residents in 865 exchange should call 705-865-2073 3. Residents in 869 exchange should call 705-869-3407 <p style="text-align: center;">EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS Become better prepared to face a range of emergencies – anytime, anywhere!</p> <p>Visit www.getprepared.ca or our website under the “Living Here” tab and scroll to the ‘Emergency Management and Planning’ page link for more information.</p>	<p>TAX BILLINGS -Payment of the 2026 Interim Property Tax Bill is due by February 27, 2026. Late payment charges of 1.25% will be added to the balance still outstanding on March 1st, 2026.</p> <p>WATER BILLINGS - The 1st quarter Water billing is due by March 31st, 2026.</p> <p>PAYMENT OPTIONS - You can pay your tax or water bill using one of the following methods:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Online Banking: Please note that payments made through online banking may take 1 to 5 business days to be received. To avoid late fees, we recommend making your payment well before the due date. 2. Pre-Authorized Payments: Enrollment form is available on our website or at the office. Set it and forget it! 3. e-Pay via our website: Make payments directly through our secure online system. <p>To ensure your payment is received on time and avoid penalties, please choose the option that works best for you.</p> <p>If you need more information, please contact the Township office at 705-865-2646 or email inquiries@sables-spanish.ca</p>	<p>Please contact RAINBOW DISTRICT ANIMAL SERVICES BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT for animal control & bylaw services. They can be reached at 705-673-3647 & toll free at 1-800-836-6661 or rdshelter@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.</p> <p>2026 Dog & Cat Licenses are available at www.rdshelter.ca. Licences are due February 14th, 2026 after which a \$10.00 late fee applies. Licences may also be acquired at, Pet Valu in Espanola, or at the Township office. (Payment options include cash, cheque, or credit- no interac accepted)</p> <div data-bbox="2034 846 2655 899" style="text-align: center; background-color: #e0e0e0;"> <p>MASSEY MEDICAL CLINIC</p> </div> <p>260 Cameron Street, Massey 705-865-2300</p> <p>Clinic Hours: Monday–Friday 9 am – 4:30 pm Closed Daily for Lunch 12:30 – 1:30 pm Phones are answered from 9 am – 11:30 am and 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm.</p> <p>If unable to get through, we may be on a call or with a patient. If you leave a message, we will get back to you as soon as possible.</p> <p>Lab Hours: Tuesday-Friday 8:00 am - 12:30 pm by scheduled appointment.</p>
<p>MEETING AGENDAS & MINUTES</p>		<p>2026 WINTER CARNIVAL</p>	
<p>All meeting minutes and agendas can be viewed at www.sables-spanish.ca Agendas are posted the Friday before each meeting, minutes are posted shortly after the meeting!</p>		<p>The 2026 Winter Carnival is taking place on February 20 – 22, 2026. We are still looking for volunteers to help out! Please contact the Arena at 705-865-2519 or email recreation@sables-spanish.ca.</p>	

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

PICKUP FROM RESIDENCES AND BUSINESSES IS EVERY THURSDAY; PLEASE HAVE IT AT YOUR CURB BY 7:00 A.M.

*For residences with seasonal pick-up, pick-up begins the 1st Thursday after May long weekend and ends the 1st Thursday after Thanksgiving.

GARBAGE: Current Bag Limit is 2 bags per residence and 8 bags per commercially assessed property.



Each bag shall not exceed 40 lbs in weight. Bag Tags can be purchased for \$5 at the Township office and the Massey and Webbwood libraries

RECYCLING: One week is the collection of fibers (paper & cardboard) and the next week is the collection of commingle (cans, plastic & glass).



Commercial businesses must register with the township to receive recycling pick up.

TENNYSON LANDFILL: 8 miles north of Massey on the Tote Road (HWY 553) **Open every Saturday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**. **Proof of residency in the Township is required e.g. ID, tax bill, hydro/water bill, etc.**

TIPPING FEES:

\$20.00 per m3 of household garbage

\$20.00 per m3 of construction garbage

\$15.00 per m3 of commercial garbage (contained in permanent bins)

\$15.00 per large item of furniture

\$50.00 per mattress or box spring

\$200 per boat/recreation vehicle

FREE DISPOSAL of the following:

White Goods (*fridges/freezers **must** be tagged that freon has been removed*)

Brush/leaves per trailer or truck load

Tires *ALL RIMS MUST BE REMOVED*

Electronics – What electronics can you recycle?

Visit www.recyclemyelectronics.ca to find out.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building or renovating? Building permit applications are available at the Municipal Office or on our website!

Any questions or concerns, the Chief Building Official, Jeff Lapierre is in the office Monday-Friday.

Call 705-865-2181 ext. 231

email building@sables-spanish.ca



If you require an inspection, please call two days in advance from when the inspection is required (The 2-day notice does not include the day that the inspection was requested).

STORAGE CONTAINERS:

Storage container means a pre-fabricated metal or steel accessory building used for the transport and/or storage of goods and materials. Please refer to the regulations respecting storage containers that are found in our Zoning Bylaw Section 4.32, 4.33 and Table 4.32. A complete copy of the mentioned sections and table in the Zoning Bylaw, is available on the Township website, or by calling the municipal office and requesting a copy. If you are unsure if this is a permitted use on your property, please call the office. **Also note that where permitted, a storage container requires a Building Permit prior to being placed on the property.**



REDUCED LOAD PERIOD ON MUNICIPAL ROADS SHALL START ON THE 1ST OF MARCH AND IS IN EFFECT WHILE THE APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE IS ERECTED. Please be mindful of this when planning your building projects.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

MASSEY

185 Grove Street

Tel 705-865-2641 | Fax 705-865-1781

masseylibrary1@gmail.com

Ruth DeClerck, Branch Librarian

Tracey VanDerGulik, CEO/Chief Librarian

infomasseylibrary@gmail.com

Hours:

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10 am – 5 pm
- Wednesday 11 am – 7 pm
- Saturday 10 am – 2 pm



WEBBWOOD

16 Main Street

Tel 705-869-4147 | Fax 705-869-1394

webbwoodlibrary@hotmail.com

Cloey Kirkham, Branch Librarian

Hours:

- Monday & Tuesday 11 am – 4 pm
- Wednesday 6 pm – 8 pm
- Thursday 5 pm – 8 pm
- Friday 10 am – 2 pm

Follow the SSRPL Facebook page or visit ssrpl.ca for more information!

MASSEY & DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE & ARENA

Follow the Township's website, Facebook and Instagram pages to stay up to date on upcoming events & programs offered at the arena, outdoor rinks, parks & community centers throughout the Township.

Events are posted on the community notice boards beside Home Hardware in Massey & at Webbwood Public Library.

Check out:

- Webbwood Outdoor Rink - Corner of O'Neil & Algoma St., Webbwood
- Walford Outdoor Rink - Walford Rd, Walford

Contact us at recreation@sables-spanish.ca or call the arena (705) 865-2519

See you at the rink!



TRAILER LICENSE BYLAW 2023-14

Trailer Licensing Bylaw 2023-14 permits temporary habitation in Recreational Vehicles (RV) in the Rural and Resource Recreation Zones from April 1st to November 30th. The full bylaw is available on our website (www.sables-spanish.ca) or by contacting the municipal office.

Trailer License 101s:

-RVs that are placed on vacant land that is zoned Rural or Resource Recreation, require a license.

-As part of the application process, proof of certified means of disposal of grey water and sewage as well as an indication of an adequate source of water/potable water is required.

-Placement of an RV for temporary habitation on a property that already has a primary residential use for a period longer than 21 days is not permitted unless a license has been issued for such purposes.

-There is an annual fee for a trailer license- the 2026 fee is \$400.00.

-Annual licenses issued pursuant to this bylaw will be granted for a consecutive period of not more than five years and may be extended with Council approval.

- For more information, please contact the municipal office at 705-865-2646 or email inquiries@sables-spanish.ca